



Inspection Report

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2.33 (b) (2)

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

2.33 (b) (2) - "Each research facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:
(2) The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries."

1. Rabbit #LP was noted by the APHIS inspector to have a slightly closed, swollen, red, and weepy left eye. The eye condition observed in the Rabbit had not been previously recognized by facility personnel.

2. Rabbit #711 was noted by the APHIS inspector to have an area of hair loss and very red skin approximately the size of a silver dollar on the ventral neck. There were also clumps of fur noted inside the cage. The skin condition observed in the Rabbit had not been previously recognized by facility personnel.

A research facility should maintain a program of veterinary care that includes the use of appropriate methods to diagnose and treat animal health issues so that any problems with animal health can be appropriately addressed.

Facility corrected item 1 and 2 during the inspection by contacting the clinical veterinarian who evaluated the conditions in the Rabbits.

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This was a focused inspection based on the non-compliant items that were identified during the last inspection. The non-compliant items from the last inspection have been corrected by the Registrant.

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2.31 (e) (3)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

2.31 (e) (3) - " A proposal to conduct an activity involving animals, or to make a significant change in an ongoing activity involving animals, must contain the following: (3) A complete description of the proposed use of the animals."

1. Review of Protocol #A07-036:

a. [2.31 (d) (1) (ii)] - The written narrative of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available to the potentially painful or distressful procedures described in the proposal for animal use does not include the procedure of resection of the external ear canal that is described in the proposal.

A principal investigator is required to consider alternatives to all potentially painful and distressful procedures described in a proposal for animal use. The IACUC needs to address this issue identified for this proposal. Correct by 6/1/08.

b. [2.31 (e) (3)] - The protocol states on page 10 and on page G2 that the surgical state of anesthesia is maintained with either Sodium Pentobarbital or the delivery of an Isoflurane/Oxygen mixture. Page 11 states that anesthesia will be maintained with a continuous infusion of Ketamine and Diazepam in a solution of Lactated Ringers.

A proposal for animal use must contain a complete description of the proposed use of the animals. The IACUC needs to address the discrepancy identified for this proposal. Correct by 6/1/08.

NOTE - This was a focused inspection of records and IACUC documents.

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2.31 (d) (1) (ii)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

2.31 (d) (1) (ii) - "The IACUC shall determine that the proposed activities or significant changes in ongoing activities meet the following requirements: (ii) The principal investigator has considered alternatives to procedures that may cause more than momentary or slight pain or distress to the animals, and has provided a written narrative description of the methods and sources.....used to determine that alternatives were not available."

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